FINANCE COMMITTEE

LEWISTON, MAINE

May 24, 2004

PRESENT:

Robert Stone, Councilor Mark Paradis, Councilor Lillian LaFontaine O'Brien, Ronald Paradis and Roger Provencher.

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. by Chairman Roger Provencher.

On motion of Mr. Stone seconded by Ms. O'Brien it was

VOTED:

(62-2004) To dispense with reading of the minutes of the previous meeting dated May 10, 2004 and to accept and place them on file as submitted by the Clerk.

VOTE: 5-0

The Committee considered award of the bid on Self Contained Breathing Apparatus for the Fire Department. K & T Environmental was the only bidder and submitted a total bid price on the entire package of \$23,311. The Fire Chief explained that the prices on the SCBA units themselves increased from \$3,450 each to \$3,750 however, that was the result of upgrading the units to include microphones within the mask so that the firefighters could clearly be heard when communicating at fire scenes. The price on the sixteen (16) cylinders of \$395 was the same unit price as last year.

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Ms. O'Brien, seconded by Mr. Stone it was

VOTED:

(63-2004) To award Bid 2004-37 on Self Contained Breathing Apparatus for the Fire Department to K & T Environmental Equipment, Island Falls, Maine, only bidder at their total bid price of \$23,311.

VOTE: 5-0

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Ms. O'Brien, seconded by Mr. Mark Paradis it was

VOTED:

(64-2004) To award Bid 2004-042 on the constructing of a parking lot at the corner of Maple and Lisbon Streets to Gendron & Gendron, Lewiston, Maine, low bidder at their total bid price of \$59,850.

VOTE: 5-0

The Committee considered award of three Task Orders to Wright-Pierce Engineering of Topsham, Maine who have been awarded the contract for requirements relative to various Civil Engineering services during the year. The three Task Orders were for individual projects which the department would not have adequate time to design the projects therefore, they are being sent out to the consulting engineer.

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Mr. Stone, seconded by Mr. Mark Paradis it was

VOTED:

(65-2004) To award the contract on three (3) Task Orders for Civil Engineering services to Wright-Pierce, Topsham, Maine, as follows:

Task Order #1	Design services associated with the Chestnut St. Rehabilitation Project from Mill Street to the Wiseman Bridge.	\$12,800.00
Task Order #2	Design services associated with the Pond Road Rehabilitation Project from Webster Street to Sheffield Avenue.	\$18,000.00
Task Order #3	Design services associated with the South Lisbon Road Rehabilitation Project from Crowley Road to Dyer Road.	\$17,400.00

VOTE: 5-0

The Clerk informed the Committee that the Hot Plant Mixed Bituminous Pavement bids which were received included higher unit prices as the result of the increase cost of petroleum products and the department is still reviewing the bids in order to modify the total estimated quantities to be used during this construction season. It was recommended that the award be tabled to the next meeting.

On motion of Ms. O'Brien, seconded by Mr. Stone it was

VOTED:

(66-2004) To table the award of Bid 2004-40 on Hot Plant Mixed Bituminous Pavement to the next regular meeting.

VOTE: 5-0

The Finance Director briefed the Committee relative to an upcoming proposal for the City to amend its Purchasing Policy to allow for the use of Purchasing Cards by employees. A recommendation to change the Purchasing Policy would be before the Finance Committee at the next meeting.

VOTED:

To adjourn at 5:48 p.m.

Richard T. Metivier Clerk Finance Committee